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Cover in Combination With a Plastic Clip

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to file the attached specification and required drawings. Please assign a serial number and accord a filing date to this prospective application.

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Enclosed are:

<u>17</u> pages of Specification,

5 page(s) of Claims,

<u>1</u> page of an Abstract, and

17 sheets of Drawings. Total pages in the disclosure are 40

X Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503).

X Application Data Sheet

X Newly Executed Oath or Declaration with Power of Attorney

Signed Statement deleting inventor(s) named in prior application.

X Applicant claims Small Entity status under 37 CFR §1.27.

X Assignment of the Invention and \$80.00.

<u>X</u> A certified copy of Priority Document.

___ A Preliminary Amendment.

____ Letter to the Official Draftsperson and amended drawing(s).

X Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO Form 1449/1 Reference.

 \mathbf{X} The basic filing fee of \$385.00.

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